

> Venue

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> Registration

Guests are most welcome! If you intend to attend the workshop, we request you to register with Jonas Eickhoff (jonas. eickhoff@t-online.de).

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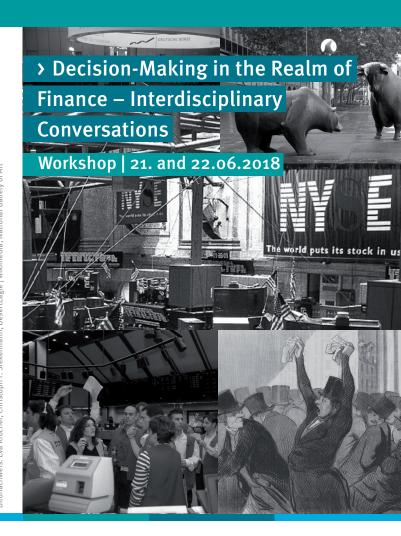
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Decision-Making in the Realmof Finance – InterdisciplinaryConversations

With the collapse of socialist economies and the emergence of global capitalism, 'financialisation' has emerged as a key term engaging not only economists, but also historians, anthropologists, sociologists and others. The workings of finance are studied at specific sites such as stock markets and investment banking, while the logic of finance is revealed in its effects upon state policies, debt, labor and expanding social inequalities across the world. Significantly, financialisation in all its ramifications depends on and creates forms of specific social actions performed through decision-making. How are enactments of decision-making through individual behavior or organizational procedures related to varying, but related regimes of power, knowledge, temporality, rationality, technology, materiality, emotion or subjectivity giving shape to realms of finance?

To address such relationships, we suggest to shift the focus from 'a decision' as an event to 'decision-making' as it is practiced across times and places. Such practices, furthermore, cannot be reduced to theories proposed by decision sciences.

Seeking to promote conversations about decision-making between sociologists, historians and anthropologists working in the field of finance, we invite scholars across the disciplines to reflect upon and scrutinize models of decision-making, that implicitly or explicitly inform scholarly and/or actors' representations of financial market activities.



> Programme

Thursday, 21.6.2018		
14.00	Welcome & Introduction: Decision-Making SFB 1150	
Panel I: Epistemology of the Market, Rational Choice & Financialization		
14.30	Speculation, and the 'Epistemology of Wager' in 18th Century Europe Christine Zabel (History, University of Essen)	
15.15	Economic and Anthropological Analyses of Financial Decision-Making Michael Chibnik (Anthropology, University of Iowa, USA)	
16.00	Tea & Coffee Break	
16.15	The fossil fuel divestment movement between politicizing investments and financializing climate protection Stefanie Hiß (Sociology, University of Jena)	
Panel II: Stock Market Practices		
17.00	'What is one to do?': decision-making processes among investment bankers in equity trading divisions on Wall Street	
	Daniela Peluso (Anthropology, University of Kent, UK)	
17.45	Intermediate Discussion	
19.30	Dinner	

Friday, 22.6.2018		
Panel II. Stock Market Practices Contd		
09.30	Financial Habitus and Small Investors' Decision Making I Speaker I: Michael Walter (Sociology, University of Bremen)	
10.15	Financial Habitus and Small Investors' Decision Making II Speaker II: Lydia Welbers (Sociology, University of Bremen)	
11.00	Tea & Coffee Break	
Panel III: Speculation, Credit & Lottery		
11.15	The strange case of Mr. Speculator and Dr. Hedge: making sense of decision-making in futures markets in the 19th and 20th centuries Alexander Engel (History, University of Goettingen)	
12.00	Deciding on creditworthiness – changing prospects on solvency Jürgen Schraten (Sociology, University of Giessen)	
12.45	Lunch	
13.45	No uncertain terms? Princely administrations and processes of decision-making on lottery projects in 18th century Germany Tilman Haug (History, University of Münster)	
14.30	Final Discussion & Publication	